Children See Parents Killed At Level Crossing

(*Limerick Leader* Staff Reporter)

Four young children saw their parents killed by a diesel train at Ballinalegny level crossing, between Bruse and Charleville, around 8 o'clock last night, when a car in which the parents were driving was struck by the train and carried for over 100 yards along the permanent way. The children were not in the car.

The dead couple are Mr. John Banks (53) and his wife, Mrs. Lorna Banks (42), of Ballinalegny. The tragedy took place about 200 yards from their farmhouse. They leave eight children, ranging in age from four months to 12 years.

The dead couple were going to visit some friends in Ballymoe and their car broke down on the private estate road, forcing them to walk to the station. In their efforts to get there, they were caught in the oncoming train and were killed instantly. They were both headed for the crossing when the accident occurred. The driver of the train, William O'Flynn, died on the spot. He had been driving for 12 years.

EXAMINING SCENE OF TRAGEDY

Mr. Michael O'Brien, C.B.E., Inspector, and a number of other officers were on the scene, examining the train and the bodies. The train was stopped for some distance, and the bodies of the couple were removed to the nearby station. The train was then continued on its journey.

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Gauld Changes

Jimmy Gauld, who recently moved from London to Canterbury, was anxious to return to Limerick. His wife and children were too young to go to Canterbury. They decided to return to Limerick on Friday night.

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The level crossing where the fatal accident occurred.

Dear Brethren:

Once again, I am grateful to the organizers of the annual collection in aid of the Sick and Nuisance Fund. The collection is again to be held on Sunday, September 25th. I trust that you will again make a generous response to this worthy cause.

Yours sincerely,

Limerick Will

The late Mr. Stephen Williams died on November 13th, 1952. He was a well-known figure in Limerick and was greatly respected by the people of the city. His funeral was held on November 16th, 1952.